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Application No.: 10/072,007  
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COLORING AGENT TO A MATERIAL FOR BRICK  
MAKING  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action, dated September 29, 2003,  
which provides for a response period ending October 29, 2003.

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A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, for one additional month to November 29, 2003, is being filed concurrently.

The Office Action sets forth a requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 alleging a Restriction Requirement for the election of one from among the following listed groups of claims which have been alleged to be patentably distinct inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-36, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 425, subclass 135.

Group II: Claims 37-47, drawn to a method, classified in class 264, subclass 40.1.

Applicant(s) elect Group I with traverse. Claims 1-36 read on the elected invention.

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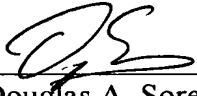
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